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GEORGETOWN MEET SCHEME REJECTED

Executive Committee Nipped Plan to Have Championship at Games.

MANY FINANCIAL REASONS

Expense Too Great to Be Risked by New Management—Other Potent Objections.

That the management of the Georgetown annual indoor meet is not lacking ideas is apparent from the fact that Manager Crumney recently applied to Dr. William Grant, chairman of the registration committee of the South Atlantic Association of the A. A. U. for the privilege of holding the annual Southern indoor championship games in connection with the Blue and Gray intercollegiate meet.

Dr. Grant immediately wrote the other officials of the association, and with one exception all those who answered the communication voted in favor of granting Manager Crumney's request. The only man to vote against it was Capt. Washington Bowie, of Baltimore.

The reason for his stand is not known. Those who voted for awarding the affair to Georgetown were M. A. Joyce, Washington; Lieut. J. W. Crawford, Washington; P. J. O'Malley, Baltimore; T. E. Strauss, Baltimore; K. Barrett, Baltimore; C. E. Edwards, Washington; A. Benjamin, Richmond; C. M. Barry, Norfolk; J. T. England, Baltimore; M. P. Foster, Washington; Gus Brown, Baltimore; William Becker, Baltimore; Dr. D. E. Alver, Washington; Dr. Joseph E. Washington; C. E. Heckert, Washington; A. McLaughlin, Washington; W. C. Thacher, Washington.

Reasons for Rejection. Dr. Grant, after receiving word from the officials, had not the chance to let the Georgetown men know that their request had been granted when he received a letter from Manager Crumney stating that the executive committee at Georgetown had decided that such a step as holding the championships was inadvisable at this time.

The reason for the action of the executive committee in rejecting the management's plan is clear. To have held the Southern A. A. U. indoor championships would have meant, first, that practically two meets would have to be held; second, that two sets of prizes would have to be purchased; third, that the medals for the championship events would have to be the uniform kind, and a set of the style used costs approximately \$100; fourth, that the transportation of necessary officials would have to be paid; and fifth, that unless the games were started by 5 or 6 o'clock it would be impossible to get them over by any reasonable time.

It was undoubtedly in view of these difficulties that Georgetown decided not to accept the award this year, at least. The management officials would have, however, on the initiative and energy exhibited in suggesting such a matter, as it is now possible for it to look into the thing thoroughly and, perhaps, make arrangements for holding such a combination meet in the next few years.

SHEPPARD WILL MEET CRACK YALE RUNNER

What promises to be the most interesting event at the annual winter carnival of the Irish-American Athletic Club at Madison Square Garden, New York, on February 2 will be the struggle between Melvin Sheppard, of the I. A. A. C., and Eli Parsons, of Yale, in the 600-yard race.

Both will be at scratch. It is the ambition of Sheppard to break the record at this distance. He tried it at Celtic Park last summer and came within an eighth of a second of doing it. He tried it again at the A. A. U. games in the Garden last October, but was interfered with and thrown off his stride, Parsons beating him out at the finish. It was a great race, and the young men are determined to make the struggle of their lives when they meet again.

GLEASON GETS DRAW WITH EDDIE CARTER

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 15.—Kia Gleason, of Philadelphia, and Eddie Carter, of Boston, fought six rounds to a draw before the Pottsville Athletic Club last night.

Gleason had the lead until the last round. He knocked Carter down for the count in the fourth, but Carter came strong, and, in the sixth, nearly had Gleason out.

JEFFRIES TO REFEREE FIGHT.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—Jim Jeffries has agreed to referee the Attell-Baker fight here on January 18. After considerable dickering the heavyweight champion was chosen third man.

S.S.S. PURELY VEGETABLE

Not only is a medicine valuable for its ability to cure disease, but the way in which it affects the system is a very important factor. When the system is infected with the germs of disease as in Rheumatism, Catarrh, Scrofula, Sores and Ulcers, Skin Diseases, Contagious Blood Poison, etc., every particle of its recuperative strength is needed to assist in eliminating the poisons and impurities which are causing the trouble. It should not be dosed and treated with strong mineral mixtures and concoctions that further add to the burden, by disagreeably affecting the bowels, producing indigestion, or eating out the delicate linings and membranes of the stomach. The absolute vegetable purity of S. S. S. has always been one of the strongest points in its favor, and is one of the principal reasons for its being now the most widely known and universally used blood medicine on the market. It is made entirely of healing, purifying roots, herbs and barks of the forests and fields. These are selected for their well known curative properties, and are known at the same time to possess the qualities to build up and strengthen every part of the system by their fine tonic effect. Not only is S. S. S. the king of blood purifiers, but it is the one medicine that may be taken with absolute safety by young or old. We guarantee it non-injurious and offer a reward of \$1,000 for proof that it contains a particle of mineral in any form. S. S. S. is a safe and reliable treatment for Rheumatism, Catarrh, Scrofula, Sores and Ulcers, Skin Diseases, Contagious Blood Poison, and any and all diseases arising from a poisoned or impure state of the blood. It goes to the very bottom of these troubles, removes every trace of disease, enriches and builds up the blood and permanently cures where mineral medicines fail. If you are suffering with any form of blood disease write for our book on The Blood and ask for any medical advice you may desire; no charge for either.

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BILLY GILBERT,
Second Baseman of New York National League, Who Will Manage and Play for Newark Next Season.

FACULTY ADVISORS ADOPT A SCHEDULE

Central vs. Tech, the Opening Game on April 19. Grounds Not Chosen.

Friday, April 19—Technical vs. Central.
Tuesday, April 23—Western vs. Eastern.
Friday, April 26—Business vs. Western.
Tuesday, April 30—Technical vs. Eastern.
Friday, May 3—Central vs. Business.
Tuesday, May 7—Business vs. Eastern.
Friday, May 10—Central vs. Western.
Tuesday, May 14—Business vs. Technical.
Friday, May 17—Central vs. Eastern.
Tuesday, May 21—Technical vs. Western.

The faculty athletic advisors of the Technical School League yesterday afternoon adopted the baseball schedule for the coming season. The meeting was held in the Technical High School, and with the exception of G. W. Kelly, who represents Central, and who recently underwent an operation, all were present. R. A. Maurer attended in Mr. Kelly's absence.

Besides the adoption of a schedule, the application of Business High to re-enter the league was favorably acted to its original strength of five teams, and as a result the baseball championship games for this year should be of more real interest than were the football contests last fall, as there were but three teams in the league in the West, Business and Eastern not being represented.

DATE FOR ARMY-NAVY CONTEST IS CHANGED

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 15.—The date for the annual baseball game between the Military and Naval Academies has been changed from May 25 to May 18.

The date previously selected would conflict with the annual examinations. It will be the sixth contest between the institutions and will be played at West Point.

Midshipman Richmond K. Turner, of Stockton, Cal., is manager of the Navy nine, succeeding Harold V. McKittick, of Rochester, N. Y., who is to qualify for graduation next month. Manager Turner is busy filling out his schedule.

NEW PIRATE OUTFIELDER.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 15.—J. W. Anderson, of Cleveland, outfielder for the South Bend Central League, has been sent to Pittsburgh for \$1,500. His record last season was .310 in batting and .998 in fielding. He led the league in runs scored.

BALTIMORE BOXING BOUTS THREATENED BY PROMOTERS

Finish Fights at Highlandtown Sure to Arouse Reformers—Tommy Murphy Too Timid for Championship Honors.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

Letting well enough alone is a policy which seems utterly beyond the ken of the average sporting man. Give him an inch and he will take an ell.

A beautiful illustration of this dumbness is to be found in the advertising of forty-five-round fights in Highlandtown, an annex to the eastern end of Baltimore, and which is in Baltimore county. The first of these fights took place last night between Soldier Burns and Con Lauterbach, two pugs of some small reputation in the Monumental City.

Almost Sure to Kill the Game. Unless all precedent is wrong these fights will result in the killing of the boxing game not only in Baltimore county but in Baltimore city. For some years matches have been pulled off in Baltimore city almost at will. Their legal status has been sustained by a suit, the expense of which was supported by Al Hereford and his Eureka Club, and the police are on hand to see that there is no rioting or brutal punishment.

As a result of careful and cautious management, keeping away from championship battles, the boxing game has been kept alive, and not allowing men to be beaten to death, the game has flourished, has not attracted the attention of the notoriety-seeking alleged reformers, has been a living to a number of boxers, and has done the community much more good than harm by encouraging and developing a proper reliance on nature's weapons as a means of offense and defense instead of the resort to the knife and the pistol, which are usual in countries where boxing is unknown.

Amazing Stupidity of Promoters. But those bouts in Highlandtown, which are practically to a finish, are a reversion to a coarser and unnecessarily brutal era in boxing, and will almost inevitably cause a public agitation which is very likely to lead to the passing of legislation against all boxing in the State of Maryland. They are being fostered by a few short-sighted individuals, all of whom have made money out of the sport in the past, and could do so again in the future, but they seem willing to throw aside all consideration of their friends or their prospects in order to pick up a few dollars this winter.

In this case the short-sightedness of these behind the long bouts is all the more remarkable because some of them are men who have profited most by the wide open conditions which have existed in Baltimore county, with only short periods of interruption, for 10, these many years, and are even now engaged in running places which would certainly be closed if a reform wave were to hit the county. The forty-five-round bouts are calculated to attract attention to their enterprises and cause all to go down in one grand crash, but the get-it-now idea is apparently the only one the promoters can grasp. When the more real interest than were the football contests last fall, as there were but three teams in the league in the West, Business and Eastern not being represented.

Pertinent Questions for Murphy. It is refreshing to see that outside of a few hysterical young men who write for New York afternoon newspapers scarcely any of the competent light critics of the country are going into foolish raptures over Tommy Murphy because he defeated that prize fighter of the age, Young Corbett. The men who publish real news of the boxing game are chiding the Murphy press agent and other boosters for foolish talk about championships and are asking pertinent questions.

They want to know why the new idol of the champion sucker town didn't go in and take a real chance when he was against a man who has been pugilistic-

ally dead for several years, and try to knock him out. They think the Murphy person might have shown more of the spirit which has made American boxers practically the only ones worth considering, by seeking to gain a decisive, unquestioned victory, instead of playing it safe when he found he had a sufficient lead to win on points.

Too Timid for a Champ. If Murphy had had an unblemished career he might have been excused for his excessive caution, but, as a matter of fact, he had been put to sleep by Terry McGovern in one round long after Terry ceased to be a championship possibility, and he should have a return match, and he should have a return match, Baker is not clever, but on that occasion he showed great improvement, considering his lack of opportunities. He outpointed Talbert, and when he finally went to sleep it was as much from exhaustion brought on by his own inexperienced exertions as from the short jolt in the stomach which Talbert gave him. Talbert was game and honest, and he should have a return match. Baker is not clever, but on that occasion he showed great improvement, considering his lack of opportunities. He outpointed Talbert, and when he finally went to sleep it was as much from exhaustion brought on by his own inexperienced exertions as from the short jolt in the stomach which Talbert gave him. Talbert was game and honest, and he should have a return match.

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LAW FOR TRAINING

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—"Chick" Stahl, the new manager of the Boston Americans, has ideas of his own about the training of a baseball club. Stahl knows that the training methods of the ex-champions were lax under Manager Jimmy Collins and he will make some radical changes.

"There will be no fooling," says Stahl, "and the men must get right down to business. We have a big job before us. Every player will have to get in condition in the South. If not it is up to the player, as I won't waste any time with anyone who is not willing to work hard."

"Any manager realizes how tough a job it is to tell old players what to do and how to do it. As a rule the managers rely on the old players knowing enough without being told. "Hitting and base running will be practised extensively. The veterans and youngsters will be treated alike. We have always been a joke in the matter of laying down bunts. This spring in the South much attention will be paid to that angle of the game."

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SOLDIER BURNS WINS.

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